

**Notice of Exemption****- 1 -****To:**

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**From:**

Department of Fish and Wildlife  
 Central Region  
 1234 East Shaw Avenue  
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1400 Tenth Street  
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**State Clearinghouse Number:** N/A

**Project Title:** TD968581 Fremont Canyon Road Restoration Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No.1600-2017-0126-R5).

**Project Location:** The Project includes four sites located within two unnamed tributaries to Santiago Creek, approximately five miles northeast of Eastern Transportation Corridor and Santiago Canyon Road adjacent to Cleveland National Forest, Orange County, State of California; Township 4 South, Range 08 West, Sections 13 and 24, United States Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5 Minute Quad Map Black Star Canyon, SBB&M.

Site 1: 33.817308° North, -117.670563° West  
 Site 2: 33.817018° North, -117.670715° West  
 Site 3: 33.816643° North, -117.670625° West  
 Site 4: 33.816132° North, -117.670223° West

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2017-0126-R5, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the applicant, Southern California Edison.

The Project will include the rehabilitation and upgrade of portions of the degraded access road along the Chino-Viejo 220k transmission line. The Project includes the maintenance and restoration of a portion of the degraded access road, construction and installation of a culverted stream crossing, the replacement of an existing culvert, installation of a road-side v-ditch, and the installation of gabion walls and rip-rap aprons to protect the road from future erosion.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Southern California Edison

**Exempt Status:**

Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1 (b); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The Project includes the repair, maintenance, or minor alterations of existing public or private structures involving negligible or no expansion of use. No trees will be removed. The Project will not have significant environmental impacts if it is completed under the protective features of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2017-0126-R5.

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**Date:****FOR** Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

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